

## ABSTRACT

A disk recording/reproducing apparatus 101 includes: a chassis 103 rotatably supporting a holder 102 for storing a disk cartridge; an eject lever 105 disposed in the chassis movably in an insertion/removal direction of the disk cartridge and movably in a direction toward or away from the chassis, the eject lever being rotated by being pushed by the disk cartridge 1 inserted into the holder; and cartridge drop preventive means 221 for preventing the disk cartridge 1 ejected by the eject lever 105 from dropping from the cartridge holder 102. The cartridge drop preventive means 221 is formed from a flat spring disposed on one side surface 102b of the holder and makes a sliding contact with one side surface 3b of the disk cartridge during unloading of the cartridge so as to give the disk cartridge a braking force. This arrangement can prevent the disk cartridge from jumping out and dropping off from the cartridge holder during ejection.